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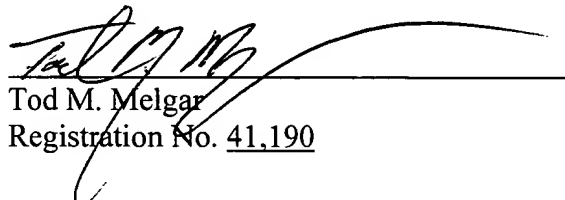
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Applicants understand that pursuant to MPEP §609 the Examiner has considered all of the references cited in the parent application no. 09/542,746 which matured into U.S. Patent No. 6,436,662. However, for completeness, Applicants enclose herewith form PTO-1449 and all of the references the Examiner has not already acknowledged. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner acknowledge his consideration of these references so that the record is clear and the considered references will be printed on the face of the patent when issued.

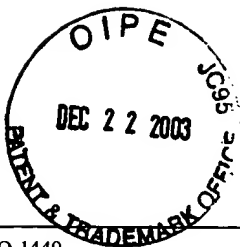
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